

Long Term Volunteering

Those who say it cannot be done should not interrupt the people doing it.
(Chinese proverb)



Dismas Rutland VFP-MTV03

in USA, hosted by Volunteers For Peace USA

Theme:	Socially disadvantaged
Location	Rutland, Vermont
Duration:	Minimum 12 weeks, maximum 6 months
Application:	VFP Motivation form required.
Vacancies	1
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

If you are interested in taking part in this project, or if you would like to get more information about becoming a long term volunteer, please contact your local SCI organisation. You can search for the contact information here: <http://www.sciint.org/contact-us/local-sci-branch-or-partner>

Project Description:

Rutland DISMAS HOUSE provides transitional drug, alcohol and violence free housing opportunity to men and women getting out of prison so they can successfully reconcile with the community before living independently.

Work: A good deal of participation in various components of fundraising activities, representing Dismas at speaking engagements on college campuses and at civic organizations, working with clothing and food donations and support of the residential community by participating in house group activities. The average daily work commitment expected is up to 5 -6 hours per day, however, the hours are varied and non-traditional, and may include some weekends and evenings. As a resident of the house, volunteers will live as an equal to and with the same expectations as the former prisoner residents: The volunteer is not at Dismas to act in a counseling or other related capacity.

Requirements: Absolutely NO alcohol or drug use permitted during the stay; no smoking inside the house; no intimate relationships between residents permitted. Volunteers must be 24+, able to speak and understand a better than basic level of English, and have basic computer skills. A 90-day/3 month commitment is required, but volunteers may choose to stay for up to 3 additional months following the initial 3 month period if invited to do so. Need volunteers starting in April.

Food: Meals provided.

Accommodation: Modestly furnished shared room in a large Victorian house; sheets, towels, meals, laundry facilities, internet access provided.

Pocket money: None

Insurance: Volunteers must obtain health and accident insurance for the duration of your travel and stay in the United States. This insurance must cover you for all medical eventualities. You must bring all necessary documents, contact numbers, etc with you.

Fees: None

Visa: –

Others: Leisure Activities: Recreation includes house activities and many festivals and events in area. Volunteers will participate in house outings including baseball games, hikes, camping. Time off for travel may be approved.